Disinvestment of Mumbai Port

2500. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mumbai Port is in the list of disinvestment;

(b) whether it is also a fact that income of Mumbai Port is decreasing day by day; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Reasons for decrease in income are:

(i) decline in traffic including container traffic,

(ii) Decrease in income from demurrage and container strorage charges due to faster clearance of cargo, and

(iii) reduced income from berth hire and other charges due to decline in traffic and reduced turn-round time of ships.

Upgradation of Monuments by ASI

2501. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the identified monument sites that are being upgraded by the Archaeological Survey of India particularly from the point of view of the development of tourism in the country;

(b) the amount of budget earmarked for this purpose during the current financial year;

(c) whether the budget allocations made from time to time to the Archaeological Survey of India has been insufficient to meet the expenditure of the big projects; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to invite the corporate sector in the field?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) The details of monuments identified for upgradation is given in the Statement. *(See* below)